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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE:	BOARD OF NURSING Meeting Minutes
DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	Cannon Building, Second Floor Conference Room A 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, DE 19904
Minutes Approved:	January 14, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Contino, President, RN Educator Member
Pamela Tyranski, Vice-President, RN Member
Dianne Halpern, RN Member
Megan Williams, APN Member
Harland Sanders, Jr., Public Member
Madelyn Nellius, Public Member
Mary Lomax, Public Member
David Salati, RN Member
Kathy Bradley, LPN Member
Christine Moses, APN Member
Raymond Moore, Public Member
Nikki Lane, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III
Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General

MEMBERS ABSENT

Linda Darling, RN Member
Victoria Udealer, RN Member

ALSO PRESENT

Gloria M. D'Amore, Wilcox and Fetzer
Fawn Watkinson
Jessica Miles
Amanda Knight
Lisa Schieffert
Barbara J. Robinson
Henry N. Coffield
Shanna N. Franklin
Virginia Kauffman
Kalia Edmonds

Tianina Hanzer
Karen Rollo

Dr. Contino called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. The Board introduced themselves to the public. Nikki Lane was welcomed as a new member to the Board of Nursing.

REVIEW OF MINUTES (October 8, 2014)

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 8, 2014 meeting. Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to approve the minutes as written. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Halpern, Ms. Tyranski, and Ms. Lane abstaining.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Halpern made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to adopt the amended agenda as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Dr. Zickafoose reported the number and types of active licenses as of November 10, 2014.

RN = 17,239 (RN permits = 15)

LPN = 2,885 (LPN permits = 3)

APN = 1,465 (APN permits = 7)

Advanced Practice Nurses: NP = 943; CRNA = 346; CNS = 137; CNM = 39

CNS has not increased since last month; however, there was an increase of 2 nurse midwives.

Total permits = 25

Total Active Licenses = 21,589

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Arlena Rowell, RN

Dr. Contino said the Board received an email from Ms. Rowell dated October 10, 2014, clarifying her previously submitted documentation. After Board discussion, Mr. Salati made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to grant licensure by endorsement pending her enrollment in the DPHMP.

Dr. Zickafoose said it has been her experience that 10 days has not been enough time for nurses to 'fully enroll' in the DPHMP. She said getting a written order signed, processed, and mailed out can take longer than 10 days and suggested changing the language to specify '30 days to be fully enrolled into DPHMP'. The Board agreed unanimously to this change in language.

Edwin Hertzler, RN

On October 8, 2014 the Board ordered Mr. Hertzler's license to be placed on probation for two years. Mr. Hertzler's lawyer, Mr. Gary Alderson, sent a Request for Reconsideration to the Board asking that Mr. Hertzler's probation be reduced to one year. After Board discussion, Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Mr. Salati, to deny the request for reconsideration. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Nellius and Ms. Lane recusing.

Patricia Dougherty, RN

Ms. Dougherty sent a request for reconsideration letter to the Board requesting her length of suspension be reduced. Ms. Singh provided a brief historical review of this disciplinary order. After Board discussion, Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tyranski, to deny the request for reconsideration. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

APN Committee: Dr. Williams said the committee met on October 27th. The committee's main focus continues to be the Consensus Model legislation and a copy of the bill was given to the Board for review. Dr. Williams provided a brief historical review of the committee progress over the past three years for the new board members. The committee asked the Board for support of the Consensus Model bill. After discussion, the Board unanimously voted to support the bill. Dr. Williams explained that some committee members discussed hiring a lobbyist as well as what entity would be best to introduce the bill. The Board then discussed introduction of the bill, and Mr. Mangler gave insight regarding his role should the legislation stay with the Division. He also informed the board that if the committee wanted to hire a lobbyist, then DPR would relinquish control of the bill. Mr. Salati stated he advocated for keeping the bill with DPR because the Board is the government sanctioned body to protect the public as opposed to trade organizations who represent specific types of nurses or advanced practice nurses. The overall intent of the Consensus Model bill is to improve access to patient care for the citizens of DE. A motion was made by the Board to keep the legislation within the Division of Professional Regulation. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Dr. Williams said AARP recently hired Mr. Carlos de los Ramos. Mr. de los Ramos was at the committee meeting and reiterated that AARP is very supportive of the committee's efforts. Dr. Williams said they are in the process of hiring a new advocate who will also be a part of the path moving forward in support of the legislation. The committee will reach out to newly elected officials and other stakeholders for education and support.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 24, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in Dover.

AWSAM Committee: Ms. Tyranski said the committee met on October 14, 2014. Ms. Tyranski provided a brief historical review of the committee progress over the past three years for the new board members. She also reminded board members that they voted to support the LLAM bill several months ago. The committee finalized the Talking Points supporting the introduction of the LLAM bill and the letter for Mr. Mangler was finalized for introduction of the bill. Ms. Tyranski explained there are interested stakeholders such as parents of diabetic children who also support the bill. In addition the committee met with Ms. Showalter who is the Director of Medicaid Fraud unit in DE. Ms. Showalter commended the committee for bringing diverse stakeholders to the table. The committee is now working on implementation plans. Ms. Moses questioned about 'injectables' and Ms. Tyranski stated that it was requested that insulin and other 'injectables' be included. However, the EpiPens and glucagon are the only emergency medications included at this point and there is no intention to include insulin. Mr. Mangler interjected that the interesting thing about this language is that it is under the exemption section in our law. The Board was given the responsibility to define what is exempt and to develop the curriculum but they do not regulate the people who perform assistance with medications. The name will change from AWSAM to LLAM- Limited Lay Administration of Medications once the bill passes.

Rules & Regulations/Legislative Committee: Dr. Zickafoose said she spoke with Ms. Darling regarding this committee and Ms. Darling is still researching refresher programs and supervised practice plans. Dr. Zickafoose asked if anyone is interested, or knows anyone from the public who is interested in participating on this committee to let her know. Interested persons need to submit a letter of interest and a resume to the Executive Director and then the Board approves membership on the committee. Dr. Zickafoose stated she received a letter of interest from Mr. Gary Alderson who has a nursing and legal background. The committee recommended him for appointment to the Rules & Regulations/Legislative committee. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Contino said he has been very busy with registrations this month. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded all to stay safe.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Zickafoose talked about the recent compliance monitoring training given at the Division. She said she will be monitoring all compliance and has 18 pages to enter into the new system. She said she will be attending the Leadership and Legacy conference in Phoenix, Arizona on November 17th – 19th. In preparing for the conference she said she participated in a teleconference that discussed support for the Consensus Model. Ms. Kathy Apple, CEO of NCSBN, sent an email notifying boards that three work groups have been formed related to compact licensure. The NLCA Executive Directors need to review the new language first and provide input. The DAGs of boards of nursing will be invited to participate in a conference call after reviewing the new compact language, and the information will be forwarded to Ms. Singh when it is available. Dr. Zickafoose will be attending a conference in January in Charleston and she is also attending the Leadership and Legacy conference in Phoenix, AZ November 17-19, 2014.

Dr. Contino said he received a letter from Mr. Jim Puente requesting input on nursing language and criminal background checks for the revised Compact law. He reviewed the material with Dr. Zickafoose and decided nothing needed to be changed for Delaware. Dr. Zickafoose said they are trying to get other states to join compact licensure and the Executive Directors met on four different occasions to talk about it, including a joint meeting with board presidents at the annual meeting in August. Dr. Contino added that states vary and Delaware is ahead of the game as a compact state already. The new legislation will require background checks for multistate licensure as well as several other items. Single state licenses will still be available as well for those who don't meet the multistate license requirements.

The Board took a short recess from 10:22 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

LICENSEE APPLICATION REVIEWS

By Examination

None

By Endorsement

Elizabeth Taylor, RN

Ms. Taylor graduated from Delaware County Technical School, PA on 2/11/2004. Her CBC showed convictions for Conspiracy 3rd degree and Prostitution. Her letter of explanation stated she did not disclose the information because she "did not remember them." However, Ms. Singh clarified she did disclose some of them later. She further stated that she put the past behind her, but seeing the records again reminded her how much of her life was wasted and said she is not that person anymore. She answered 'yes' to question #25. Disposition paperwork and three letters of reference were submitted. Mr. Salati commented the arrests were many years ago. After Board discussion, Ms. Halpern made a motion, seconded by Mr. Salati, to grant a waiver for licensure by endorsement. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Charles Gilpatrick, RN

Mr. Gilpatrick graduated from Rutgers University, NJ in May 1978. He answered 'yes' to question #18 which asked if any of his nursing licenses have ever been disciplined, and he stated, "Yes, in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts." He also answered 'Yes' to question #27 regarding dependency from

1984-1986. NURSYS reports confirmed discipline in PA and MA. He currently has an active PA license. After Board discussion, Ms. Moses made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to grant a waiver for licensure by endorsement. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

By Reinstatement

Shanna Franklin, LPN

Ms. Franklin answered 'yes' to question #18 on her application and stated, "Endangering the welfare of a child." She also answered 'yes' to question #20 and stated, "In 2010 became dependent on alcohol and prescribed medications. Have been in recovery since September 23rd, 2011." She submitted a certificate for successful completion of a Level 1 Outpatient Drug & Alcohol Treatment program at Brandywine Counseling dated February 10, 2012 along with her discharge care plan. Three reference letters were submitted. Ms. Franklin was in attendance at the meeting so the Board asked her if she was willing to enroll into the DPHMP for an evaluation and she said she was willing to do that. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Lane, to grant her licensure by reinstatement subject to her enrollment into DPHMP. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Probyn Allen, RN

Mr. Allen answered 'yes' to question #13 on his application which asked if any of his nursing licenses have ever been disciplined, and he stated, "Yes, in New Jersey." A NURSYS report from New Jersey showed his license was suspended for misappropriation of patient property and criminal conviction. A NURSYS report from Pennsylvania showed he was fined \$1000 for submitting false claims on his license renewal by not reporting the discipline in New Jersey. Ms. Singh advised the board that the PA discipline was not to be considered since it was not a suspension or probation of license. Mr. Salati questioned why the board was looking at this and determined there was also a reference issue. After Board discussion, Mr. Salati made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to grant licensure by reinstatement. By majority vote, the motion carried with Ms. Tyranski voting against the motion.

Advanced Practice Nurse

Jacqueline Stewart-Hallett, RN

Ms. Stewart-Hallett graduated from New York University, NY in September 2009. In her letter of explanation she stated she has earned many degrees from 1996 through 2009. She stated in 2002 she started commuting from Philadelphia where she lived, to New York where she worked, and was still going to school until she graduated in 2009. After she graduated as a nurse practitioner in 2009 she stated she took some time off. She said she successfully completed the Adult Nurse Practitioner certification exam in 2013 and the Geriatric Nurse Practitioner certification exam in 2014. She stated she has been working as a nurse practitioner in Philadelphia since 2014, for a total of 136 hours. She does not meet the practice requirement for licensure since she graduated six years ago. A supervised practice plan was recommended from the APN committee members for a total of 600 hours. After Board discussion, Dr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Moses, for Ms. Stewart-Hallett to do a Supervised Practice Plan. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Renewal

None

COMPLAINT ASSIGNMENTS/ASSIGNED BOARD CONTACT PERSON

Dr. Lomax made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to ratify the following complaint assignments given to the respective Board contact person. By unanimous vote, the motion passed.

11-76-14 (Bradley) 11-13-14 (reassigned to Salati) 11-24-14 (reassigned to Williams)

CLOSED COMPLAINTS

Closed complaints do not need a vote; they are for information only for the record.

Dismissed by the Attorney General's Office

11-115-13 11-29-13 11-56-13 11-51-13

Closed Investigations by the Division of Professional Regulation

11-83-13 11-09-14 11-105-13 11-01-14 11-10-14 11-23-14* 11-25-14* 11-89-14*

HEARINGS/CONSENT AGREEMENTS – RATIFICATION & SIGNATURE

Consent Agreement(s)

None

Hearing Panel Findings/Decisions/Orders

Hearing Panel #20

Dr. Contino thanked Ms. Halpern, Ms. Tyranski, and Ms. Nellius for serving on Hearing Panel #19 during August, September, and October, and Dr. Lomax for participating in the September panel hearing. He asked Mr. Salati, Ms. Bradley and Mr. Sanders to serve on Panel #20 during the months of November, December, and January 2015 and they accepted. Mr. Salati will serve as Chair on the Panel.

Dr. Contino explained the Hearing Panel Process for the new Board members. Mr. Mangler explained the process he goes through to determine who will hear the complaint. He said the majority of complaints will still be heard by the Hearing Officer Unit but periodically he will assign a complaint to the Hearing Panel or the full Board to provide hearing process experience for Board members.

Hearing Officer Recommendation(s)

Terri Purse-Rice, RN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Singh describing the sanctions. Ms. Halpern, Dr. Lomax, Dr. Contino and Ms. Tyranski discussed numerous issues with the nurse and the extenuating circumstances. After further Board discussion, Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Mr. Moore, to accept the Hearing Officer Recommendation as written. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Halpern voting against the motion and Mr. Salati recused.

Regina Taylor, RN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Singh describing the sanctions. The Board found inconsistencies in the report specific to the Benadryl dosage as well as whether she is a RN or LPN. Ms. Paquette and Dr. Zickafoose consulted with NURSIS and Ms. Taylor is a LPN. Ms. Lane made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to return the report requesting clarification by the Hearing Officer Unit before a decision by the Board could be made. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Virginia Kauffman, RN – Board members reviewed the recommendation from the Hearing Officer with Ms. Singh describing the sanctions. After Board discussion, Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to accept the Hearing Officer Recommendation, with modification to the recommended discipline to include a letter of reprimand, as well as increasing the contact hours to nine- three to be earned for Medical Records and Documentation, and six for Wound Assessment. By majority vote, the motion carried, with Ms. Halpern recused and Mr. Salati abstaining.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Proposed Regulation 10.4.2.30

Ms. Singh went over proposed rule 10.4.2.30 which states, "Testing positive for illegal drugs." She suggested either adding it to their current Rules & Regulations as a new rule, or including it in the language for rule 10.4.2.17, which would then say "Diverting, possessing, obtaining, supplying or administering illegal drugs or prescription drugs to any person, including self, except in the case of prescription drugs as directed by a person authorized by law to prescribe drugs." Ms. Nellious commented that testing positive does not mean the person is under the influence and the Board wants to be sure the person is not under the influence. After Board discussion, Mr. Salati made a motion, seconded by Ms. Tyranski, to add the above language to existing rule 10.4.2.17 as suggested. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Proposed Regulation 6.4.1.2, 6.4.1.7, and 6.4.1.12

Dr. Zickafoose said she contacted CGFNS for model language regarding foreign graduates and received some recommendations. They suggested changing the current word 'foreign' to 'international' graduates and recommended having the Rules & Regulations Committee review the current language. Currently applicants are required to submit transcripts; however, CGFNS said the Division can contact them directly to get the information that is required.

Dr. Zickafoose said the Board's other handout reflects recommended changes for Canadian nurses who are currently signing up to take the NCLEX exam but are still considered international graduates. The recommended changes are underlined in the handouts. Dr. Zickafoose said rule 6.4.1.2.1 is a new addition and should've been underlined on their handout as well. She said this rule would enable applicants to get a certification letter instead of having to go through the CGFNS process, which they have done in the past. Dr. Zickafoose and Ms. Singh discussed current rule 6.4.1. Dr. Zickafoose said rule 6.4.1 pertains only to international graduates who have never taken the NCLEX exam. She said they have to go through the full CGFNS process. That is what rules 6.4.1, 6.4.1.1, and 6.4.1.2 state. She said the new language states that if the person has taken the NCLEX exam, and they have been licensed in another state, then all they need is a letter from CGFNS saying they've already been through the process and met all the requirements. Ms. Singh said the endorsement applicants don't need that letter. Mr. Mangler gave an overview of the current process. He stated that CGFNS has been used as the external body to do the primary source verification that the CGFNS certificate reflects. The education that the individuals obtain is substantially equivalent to U.S. standards for education. Mr. Mangler said the reason the majority of states use CGFNS is to determine if the person is qualified to be licensed by endorsement, or viewed as an applicant getting licensure by examination. Dr. Zickafoose said she feels the CGFNS certificate, or the CES letter, should be a requirement from international graduates. Ms. Singh felt the Board should consider changing rule 6.4.1 and gave her reason for the change. After considerable discussion, the Board decided this rule required more thought and continued it for future discussion. The Rules & Regulations/Legislative committee can review this language and recommend changes.

Dr. Zickafoose said rule 8.10.2.1 needs to have the '5' changed to a '4'. Also, rule 9.2.1.1.4.1 needs to have 'CME' changed to reflect a recent change of '1.0 contact hour = 60 minutes' as previously approved by the Board. She said rules 8.10.2.1, 9.2.1.1.4, and 10.4.2.17 are the proposed rules that will be printed in the newspaper and brought to the January 14, 2015 meeting for final approval.

Proposed Waiver and Examination as Qualification to Licensure Bill

Ms. Singh said the Board approved the waiver at their October 8th meeting; however, in the interim Mr. Mangler approached her about changing statute 24 *Del. C. § 1910*. She went over her suggested changes on the handout. After Board discussion, Dr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bradley, to support the waiver bill. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

REVIEW OF COMPLIANCE

Melanie Kline, LPN

Dr. Zickafoose said Ms. Kline has met all the requirements of her consent agreement signed by the Board on 11/14/12. She recommended returning her license back to active, multistate status. Ms. Halpern made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to return her license to active, multistate status. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Katharine Bowers, RN

Dr. Zickafoose reported that Ms. Bowers' previous Board order lifting suspension signed 10/3/14 stated her license would be suspended, but the suspension would be stayed for probation providing Ms. Bowers complied with the terms in the order. Dr. Zickafoose read those terms to the Board and stated she sent an email to Ms. Bowers on November 6th state licensees usually have 10 days to enroll but we gave her 30 days, which had already passed. Ms. Bowers replied by email on 11/10/14 that "I do not have access to a computer or printer at this time." Mr. Sanders pointed out that she was corresponding via email. In addition the email stated Ms. Lee was supposed to be mailing her a copy of the paperwork to sign. Dr. Zickafoose forwarded that email to Ms. Christa Lee with the DPHMP, who said Ms. Bowers contacted her first saying she was not sure if she was going to enroll and then saying she wanted the enrollment documents mailed to her. Ms. Lee stated she sent her paperwork for the program. As Ms. Bowers did not comply with her order by re-enrolling in the DPHMP, Dr. Zickafoose asked the Board if her license should be suspended as specified in the order signed 10/3/14 for non-compliance. After Board discussion, Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to suspend Ms. Bowers' license as specified in the order. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

PRACTICE WITHOUT LICENSURE REVIEWS

None

PRACTICE ISSUES

None

EDUCATIONAL ISSUES

Leads School of Technology Clinical Request – Dr. Contino said a request was submitted to use Hahnemann University for pediatric and maternity clinical. A motion to approve Hahnemann University as a clinical site for the maternity portion of the nursing program was made by the Practice & Education Committee. The Board unanimously approved the request.

University of PA School of Nursing Clinical Site Notification – Dr. Contino explained that the rules require out of state programs to notify the Board if they use clinical in DE. He read 18 clinical facility sites to be used in DE and stated all their paperwork was in order. This met the requirement for notification to the Board.

LICENSURE ISSUES

None

NCSBN

None

LICENSURE RATIFICATION

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made; however, the Board thanked Ms. Barbara Robinson for attending the meeting since she was the only person in the audience at the conclusion of the meeting.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

January 14, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

861 Silver Lake Blvd., Cannon Building, Conference Room A, Dover, DE 19904.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pamela C. Zickafoose". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pamela C. Zickafoose, EdD, MSN, RN, NE-BC, CNE
Executive Director, Delaware Board of Nursing

HEARING MINUTES

HEARING – Gerda Crowley, RN

PRESENT: Robert Contino, Harland Sanders, Madelyn Nellius, David Salati, Kathy Bradley, Megan Williams, Mary Lomax, Christine Moses, Raymond Moore, Pamela Tyranski, Diane Halpern and Nikki Lane

RECUSED:

EXCUSED: Victoria Udealer, Linda Darling

PURPOSE: Rule to Show Cause Hearing – RN

PRESIDING: Robert Contino, President

BOARD STAFF: Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE BOARD: Jennifer Singh, DAG

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE:

RESPONDENT: Gerda Crowley (not present)

COUNSEL FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE: None

WITNESSES FOR THE RESPONDENT:

COURT REPORTER PRESENT: Gloria D. A'more, Wilcox and Fetzer

TIME STARTED: 11:00 a.m.

The recorder took verbatim testimony. The Board members introduced themselves. Ms. Singh described the reason for the hearing and confirmed Ms. Crowley was not present. Board Exhibit #1 included a copy of the consent agreement and disciplinary order dated 5/20/14; and the letter dated 10/10/14 notifying Ms. Crowley of today's hearing. Dr. Zickafoose was sworn in at 11:06 a.m. Mr. Salati asked her if Ms. Crowley had submitted anything since her order was sent to her. Dr. Zickafoose said she hasn't heard from her. Ms. Singh asked Dr. Zickafoose to state her job title for the record and she responded, "Executive Director." She asked her in what manner Ms. Crowley was notified of the hearing. Dr. Zickafoose said she was sent a notice by regular mail and by first class mail, and that she had received her green certification card back signed and dated by Christine Mitchell showing she was notified.

The Board entered into deliberations at 11:08 a.m. After further discussion, the Board ended deliberations at 11:11 a.m. Mr. Sanders made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius, to suspend Ms. Crowley's license from the date of this new order. She can appeal to the Board to lift her suspension once she has completed the requirements of the order.

The hearing concluded at 11:13 a.m.

HEARING MINUTES

HEARING – Otuniya Ndego, RN

PRESENT: Robert Contino, Harland Sanders, Madelyn Nellius, David Salati, Kathy Bradley, Megan Williams, Mary Lomax, Christine Moses, Raymond Moore, Pamela Tyranski, Diane Halpern and Nikki Lane

RECUSED:

EXCUSED: Victoria Udealer, Linda Darling

PURPOSE: Lift Suspension – RN

PRESIDING: Robert Contino, President

BOARD STAFF: Pamela Zickafoose, Executive Director
Sheryl Paquette, Administrative Specialist III

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE BOARD: Jennifer Singh, DAG

DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE STATE:

RESPONDENT: Otuniya Ndego (not present)

COUNSEL FOR THE RESPONDENT: None

WITNESSES FOR THE STATE: None

WITNESSES FOR THE RESPONDENT:

COURT REPORTER PRESENT: Gloria D. A'more, Wilcox and Fetzer

TIME STARTED: 11:42 a.m.

The recorder took verbatim testimony. The Board members introduced themselves. Ms. Singh described the reason for the hearing and confirmed Ms. Ndego was not present. Ms. Singh stated that Ms. Ndego petitioned the Board to lift her suspension, as she felt she had met all the requirements of her October 2013 order. Board Exhibit #1 included the letter notifying Ms. Ndego of this scheduled hearing dated 10/17/14 and a copy of the original disciplinary order dated 10/14/13. Ms. Singh stated for the record that Ms. Ndego contacted the Division of Professional Regulation indicating she would not be attending today's hearing.

Dr. Zickafoose was sworn in at 11:42 a.m. and gave her title as Executive Director for the Delaware Board of Nursing for the record. Dr. Contino asked if Ms. Ndego's New Jersey license was reinstated as part of the previous order. Dr. Zickafoose said two letters were sent by Ms. Ndego, one dated October 6, 2014 and the other October 16, 2014. She read them aloud for the Board. The first letter described the contact hours Ms. Ndego achieved, and the other letter requested a hearing before the Board to lift her suspension. Both letters included attachments of contact hours. Dr. Zickafoose read the attachments aloud and the dates they were earned. Mr. Moore asked her if she has met the requirements of this Board. Dr. Zickafoose said at this time the Board doesn't have information showing whether or not her New Jersey license has been reinstated.

The Board entered deliberations at 11:51 a.m. Dr. Contino said the order states that Ms. Ndego can petition the Board to lift her suspension once she has her New Jersey license reinstated. He said he feels her petition was premature. Ms. Tyranski agreed that she hasn't satisfied the original order. The Board ended deliberations at 11:54 a.m. Mr. Moore made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lomax, to continue the hearing until Ms. Ndego can provide proof she has met the conditions specified in her previous order. My unanimous vote, the motion carried.

The hearing concluded at 11:54 a.m.

November 2014 Licensee Listing – RN's (171)

L1-0045922	Gasmen, Eugil Lanuza	L1-0045973	Swinko, Michele J. Wheatley
L1-0045923	Pritchett, Janet L. Jewell	L1-0045974	Dean, Deborah A. Klinger
L1-0045924	Martin, Elizabeth Quinabo	L1-0045975	Klavon, Betty G. Evans
L1-0045925	Littlejohn, Joshua Lee	L1-0045976	Hale, Jennifer M. Deola
L1-0045926	Emmons, Jessica A. Hessel	L1-0045977	Chen, Wenyi
L1-0045927	Beckner, Julia A. Koblitis	L1-0045978	Kenyon, Danielle N. Hisey
L1-0045928	Butchko, Natalie Rose	L1-0045979	Abremski, Rachel Leigh
L1-0045929	Lewis, Rachel L.	L1-0045980	Essenmacher, Allison H. Chisari
L1-0045930	Curran, Eileen C. Gawenus	L1-0045981	Danieli, Sara Elizabeth
L1-0045931	Cinar, Feray F. Aydin	L1-0045982	Hendricks, Edward Mack
L1-0045932	Lima, Nadege LouiJeune	L1-0045983	Gorbey, Debra J. Peters
L1-0045933	Weston, Kristina N.	L1-0045984	Coverdale, Mary E. Croes
L1-0045934	Beddow, Kimberly A.	L1-0045985	Williams, Kenneth O.
L1-0045935	Lafferty, Shawn P.	L1-0045986	Banta, Dyan
L1-0045936	Miller, Meghan E. Connor	L1-0045987	Ofoma, Chinelo Adanma
L1-0045937	Carmine, Sara Marie	L1-0045988	Moffett, Maureen A.
L1-0045938	Brown, Marvine B. McCuen	L1-0045989	Kassien, Michele Dawn
L1-0045939	Moore-Woodward, Pamela	L1-0045990	Hussain, Farwa R.
L1-0045940	Maize, Esther Nacman	L1-0045991	Smullen, Trisha N. Keeler
L1-0045941	Hammer, Kathy Crouse	L1-0045992	Mylett, Sara Marie
L1-0045942	Tricozzi, Kelly A. Ohlidal	L1-0045993	Dickson, Shayleigh Katherine
L1-0045943	Van Tassell, Arundel D. Howard	L1-0045994	Istenes, Ashley Ward
L1-0045944	Stetser, John Hughes	L1-0045995	Hake, Margaret Cannon
L1-0045945	Arntsen, Laura Mary	L1-0045996	Brown, Shannon A.
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L1-0046031	Bachman, Stefanie Marie	L1-0046081	Sherman, Debra A. Van Etten
L1-0046032	Steranko, Renee Michelle	L1-0046082	Schreckengost, Kayla M. Fillhart
L1-0046033	Bostwick, Katie Ellen	L1-0046083	Shoemaker, Jennifer D. Siegel
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L2-0012457	Ottinger, Andrea L.
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L2-0012462	Gonzalez, Roxanna
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L2-0012465	Ojong, Valentine E.
L2-0012466	Stuck, Jodi J. Barger
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L2-0012469	Arcangel, McPaul Ramirez
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Hengel, Sara Beth	Family NP
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Sousou, Jeanann	Certified Nurse Midwife
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Dixon, Lois M. Reger	Adult/Gerontology NP
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Kristin David
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Neonatal Nurse Practitioner

Janet Dutcher

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

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